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TAGS: MILI, ES, US

SUBJECT: PROPOSED EXPORT SALE OF DEHAVILLAND JET TRAINER

1. DEPARTMENT HAS UNDER CONSIDERATION AN APPLICATION FROM WESTAIR INTERNATIONAL OF BLOOMFIELD, COLORADO FOR LICENSE TO EXPORT ONE DH-115 VAMPIRE JET TRAINER AND ONE SPARE ENGINE TO ARCHIE BALDOCCHI, 707 CALLE ARCHE, SAN SALVADOR ALLEGEDLY FOR BUSINESS AND PLEASURE FLYING. AIRCRAFT IS A TWO-SEATER THAT, ACCORDING TO APPLICATION, HAS BEEN TOTALLY DEMILITARIZED AND CUSTOMIZED WITH EXECUTIVE INTERIOR AND CIVILIAN AVIONICS. PLANE WAS MANUFACTURED BY DEHAVILLAND OF AUSTRALIA IN 1958.

2. TOTAL COST OF AIRCRAFT AND SPARE ENGINE IS REPORTED TO BE ONLY \$22,000 WHICH LEADS DEPARTMENT TO QUESTION THE EXTENT TO WHICH AIRCRAFT HAS ACTUALLY BEEN CUSTOMIZED AND DEMILITARIZED. WE BELIEVE THAT IT IS LIKELY THAT THIS PLANE IS INTENDED TO PROVIDE JET FAMILIARIZATION TRAINING TO SALVADORAN AIR FORCE PILOTS. IN OUR VIEW, PRESENCE OF THIS TYPE OF AIRCRAFT IN EL SALVADOR WOULD BECOME KNOWN TO THE HONDURAS AUTHORITIES AND COULD HAVE NEGATIVE EFFECT ON BILATERAL TALKS NOW UNDERWAY IN MEXICO. WE ALSO HAVE
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WHICH IS ALSO PERTINENT IN CONSIDERING THIS APPLICATION.

3. IN LIGHT OF ABOVE, DEPARTMENT DOES NOT BELIEVE THAT
THIS EXPORT SALE IS IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE UNITED
STATES.

4. REQUEST EMBASSY COMMENTS.
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